

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

VALE DISTRICT OFFICE - Vale Dispatch

100 Oregon St. Vale, Oregon 97918 (541) 473-6295

VALE MORNING SITUATION REPORT FOR:7-22-03

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL:	4 BAKER FIRE DANGER (352	420-C) E
REGIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL:	4 MALHEUR FIRE DANGER (353616) V
VALE PREPAREDNESS LEVEL:	3 JORDAN FIRE DANGER (35	3612-A) E

BAKER RA:

No new fires.

MALHEUR RA:

No new fires

JORDAN RA:

Three Forks: 35S 45E 3. 30 miles south of Jordan Valley, OR. It is approximately 60 acres. Contained/controlled 7/20. Cause: under investigation.

Sage: 41S 39E 9. About 20 miles west of McDermitt, NV and just above the OR/NV border. Approximately 493 acres. There are nine engines, one SRV Crew, one water tender and dozer, IC employee, and several miscellaneous overhead. Minimal growth occurred 7/21. Contained 7/21 @ 2100.

COMMENTS:

No SRV Crews available

3 SRV Crews are on the Balcony House fire in Colorado.

5 SRV crews and 1 (IARR) are on the Fawn Peak Fire in Washington.

2 employees are on the Fawn Peak Fire in Washington.

Vale IHC are committed to Fawn Peak Fire in Washington.

1 (BCMG) is on the Hot Creek incident in Idaho.

2 SRV Crews are on the East Table Fire in Wyoming.

1 employee is on the Link fire as an EDRC.

1 employee is on the Middle Fork incident in Washington.

WEATHER:

Vale Weather: Mostly sunny, except partly cloudy with isolated afternoon dry thunderstorms.

Temp 99-108, Rh's 9-16%, Winds W 5-15 mph, Haines 5 (moderate) LAL 2

Pendleton Weather: Mostly sunny.

Temps 94-101, Rh's 8-14%, winds NW 5-8 mph, Haines 4 (low) LAL 2

DEFINITIONS:

LAL (Lightning Activity Level): A numerical rating from the lowest of 1 to the highest of 6, keyed to the start of thunderstorms and the frequency and character of cloud-toground lightning forecasted or observed on a rating area during a rating period.

Haines Index: A national fire-weather index based on the stability and moisture content of the lower atmosphere and their direct relationship to the growth of large fires. The index is from 2-6 with 2 being the lowest potential for large fire growth while 6 is the highest large fire growth potential.